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In re application of

Gaëlle CHAUVELON et al. Confirmation No. 1888

Serial No. 09/890,348 GROUP 1623

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METHOD FOR PRODUCING CELLULOSE
SULFOACETATE DERIVATIVES AND
PRODUCTS AND MIXTURES THEREOF

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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of December 18, 2002,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 16,
with the following rewritten paragraph:

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^AIn most techniques according to the prior art,
obtaining hydrosoluble cellulose acetate, usually having an
acetylation degree within the range from 0.5 to 1, goes through
the formation of a cellulose triacetate followed by hydrolysis of
the acetyl groups, for example, according to Tanghe L.J. et al.
(1963) : "Cellulose acetate" in Methods in Carbohydrate
Chemistry. Vol. 3, Whistler R.L. (ed.) 193-212, Academic Press,
New York or according to Samios E. et al. (1997) : "Preparation,